

Forest Land-Raigad

Diversion of 2.33 ha. 'Private Forest' land (Restored before 25/10/1980) in favour of M/s. Karnala Holiday Inn Pvt. Ltd for construction of Resort and raising plantation at Village Kalhe, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.FLD-1307/C.R.320/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400032.
Date:- 30th January, 2023**

Reference:

- 1) Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur letter No.Desk-17/NC/II/1673/07-08, Dt.17.10.2007.
- 2) Government of Maharashtra, Letter No. FLD-1307/CR-320/F-10,Dt. 26.03.2008
- 3) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. 6-MHB-044/2008-BHO/3404, Dt.09.03.2018.
- 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/NC/II/ID-11608(39)/1496/2019-20, Dt.18.12.2019,
Government of Maharashtra, Letter No. FLD-1307/CR-320/F-10,Dt. 22.03.2021
- 5) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. 6-MHB-044/2008-BHO/8074, Dt.05.05.2021.
- 6) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Thane/ID-11608(39)/2011/2022-2023, dt.10.11.2022.

Order:-

Whereas, the Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal for diversion of 2.33 ha. 'Private Forest' land [Restored before 25/10/1980 u/s 22A of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975] in favour of M/s. Karnala Holiday Inn Pvt. Ltd for construction of Resort and raising plantation at Village Kalhe, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad;

AND whereas, the State Government vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted proposal to Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Govt. of India;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.3, accorded 'In-Principle' approval to divert the 2.33 ha. Forest land for the above project under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur and Govt. of Maharashtra vide letters under

reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 5 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 2.33 ha. 'Private Forest' land [Restored before 25/10/1980 u/s 22A of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975] for construction of construction of Resort and raising plantation at Village Kalhe, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.6 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in this case;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 2.33 ha. consisting of Private Forest Land [Restored before 25/10/1980 u/s 22A of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975] more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. Shri. Vipin Bajaj, Director, Karnala Holiday Inn Pvt. Ltd for construction of construction of Resort and raising plantation at Village Kalhe, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letters dated 09.03.2018 and dated 05.05.2021 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'In-Principle' and 'Final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
2. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC letters dated 09.03.2018 and dated 05.05.2021, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, shall amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
3. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall report through the State Government to the Regional Officer (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

SCHEDULE

Village	Taluka	District	Survey No. / Gut No.	Status of Forest land	Area (in ha.)
Kalhe	Panvel	Raigad	158/3	Private Forest land restored u/s 22A of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975 before commencement of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 [Deemed Reserve Forest]	2.33
Total Area (in ha.)					2.33

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
2. Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Nagpur
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur.
6. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), Nagpur.
8. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
9. Collector, Raigad.
10. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Raigad.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag
12. Shri. Vipin Bajaj, Director, Karnala Holiday Inn Pvt. Ltd.
13. Select File (F-10)

I. Collector- Raigad and Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Raigad are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the

Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

II. Shri. Vipin Bajaj, Director, Karnala Holiday Inn Pvt. Ltd. is hereby directed to publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc. and along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the Central Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.

III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.